

**United States Group of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the United States Group of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly: Representative Turner, Chairman; Representatives Shimkus, Shuster, Miller (FL), Emerson, Granger, and Bilirakis. **Page H500**

**House Democracy Partnership—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the House Democracy Partnership: Representative Dreier, Chairman; Representatives Fortenberry, Biggert, Conaway, Buchanan, Boustany, Wilson (SC), Roskam, Crenshaw, and Diaz-Balart. **Page H500**

**Director of the Congressional Budget Office—Appointment:** The Chair announced the joint appointment by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate of Dr. Douglas W. Elmendorf as Director of the Congressional Budget Office for the term expiring January 3, 2015. **Page H500**

**Joint Economic Committee—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representative Brady (TX), Chairman; Representatives Burgess, Campbell, Duffy, Amash, and Mulvaney. **Page H501**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H483.

**Senate Referral:** S. Con. Res. 3 was referred to the Committee on Armed Services. **Page H505**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H481–82, H496, H498, and H499. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and at 2:56 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 1, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 2011.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **DOD BUDGET REDUCTIONS**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on proposed Department of Defense budget reductions and efficiencies initiatives. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: William Lynn, Deputy Secretary; GEN Peter W. Chiarelli, USA, Vice Chief of Staff; ADM Jonathan W. Greenert, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; GEN Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., USMC, Assistant Com-

mandant; GEN Phillip M. Breedlove, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff.

### **HEALTH CARE LAW—FISCAL CONSEQUENCE; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the Fiscal Consequences of the Health Care Law. Testimony was heard from Richard S. Foster, Chief Actuary, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Dennis G. Smith, Secretary, Department of Health Services, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

Prior to the hearing, the Committee met for organizational purposes. Committee approved an oversight plan for the 112th Congress.

### **AMERICAN WORKFORCE STATE**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on the State of the American Workforce. Testimony was heard from Robert F. McDonnell, Governor, State of Virginia; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

### **REGULATORY REFORM—ADMINISTRATION VIEWS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "The Views of the Administration on Regulatory Reform." Testimony was heard from Cass Sunstein, Director, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB.

### **ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND JOB PROMOTION**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing on Promoting Economic Recovery and Job Creation: The Road Forward. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Met for organizational purposes. Committee adopted its rules of procedure and agreed to an oversight plan for the 112th Congress.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 394, Federal Courts Jurisdiction and Venue Clarification Act of 2011; H.R. 398, To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to toll, during active-duty service abroad in the Armed Forces, the periods of time to file a petition and appear for an interview to remove the conditional basis for permanent resident status; H.R. 386, Securing Aircraft Cockpits Against Lasers Act of 2011; H.R. 368, Removal Clarification Act of 2001, and H.R.

347, Federal Restricted Buildings and Grounds Improvement Act of 2011.

#### ICE WORKSITE ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a hearing on ICE Worksite Enforcement—Up to the Job? Testimony was heard from Kumar C. Kibble, Deputy Director, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

#### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; BP DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Met for organizational purposes. Committee adopted its rules of procedure and agreed to an oversight plan for the 112th Congress.

The committee also held an oversight hearing on the report by the President's National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling. Testimony was heard from Bob Graham, former Senator of Florida and William K. Reilly, former Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, both Co-Chairmen of the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling.

#### BAILOUTS AND THE FORECLOSURE CRISIS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Held a hearing on Bailouts and the Foreclosure Crisis: Report of the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program ("SIGTARP"). Testimony was heard from Neil Barofsky, Special; Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program; and Tim Massad, Acting Assistant Secretary, Financial Stability and Chief Counsel, Department of the Treasury.

#### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

*Committee on Small Business:* Met for organizational purposes. Committee adopted its rules of procedure and agreed to an oversight plan for the 112th Congress.

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*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Met for organizational purposes. Committee adopted its rules of procedure and agreed to an oversight plan for the 112th Congress.

#### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Met for organizational purposes. Committee adopted its rules of procedure and agreed to an oversight plan for the 112th Congress.

#### HEALTH CARE LAWS' IMPACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing on the impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care Laws on JOBS, Employers, and the Economy. Testimony was heard from Austan Goolsbee, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisors; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* To hold hearings to examine the results of the investigation by the Department of Defense and the Department of the Air Force into the release of proprietary data in the KC-X competition, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on the Budget:* To hold hearings to examine the budget and economic outlook for fiscal years 2011–2021, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine crackdown in Belarus, focusing on responding to the Lukashenko regime, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* To hold hearings to examine the Affordable Care Act, focusing on the impact of health insurance reform on health care consumers, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold hearings to examine claims and social services in the aftermath of Deepwater Horizon oil spill, 1:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Business meeting to consider S. 23, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, and the nominations of James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Amy Totenberg, and Steve C. Jones, both to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, James Emanuel Boasberg, and Amy Berman Jackson, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Paul Kinloch Holmes III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, Anthony J. Battaglia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Edward J. Davila, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Diana Saldana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Max Oliver Cogburn, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, and Marco A. Hernandez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, 10 a.m., SD-226.

##### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.